Executive Summary

Combined/Joint Force Land Component Commander Conference

Proponent: USAWC, Department of Military Strategy, Planning, and Operations

Location: Carlisle Barracks, PA

Frequency/Duration: 3 times per year; 1 week in duration

Overview: The Combined/Joint Force Land Component Commander (C/JFLCC) conference is a senior level program held at U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania. The Conference Director operates under the proponency of the Department of Military Strategy, Planning, and Operations. The C/JFLCC conference is a multinational variant form of the Joint Force Land Component Commander course conducted three times each year. It supports the Chief of Staff of the Army's strategic communications priorities, as well as Army Service Component Commanders' efforts to support Combatant Commanders' theater security cooperation plans. The next scheduled conference is Conference 2-07, 15 July to 20 July 2007.

Attendees: Conference participants are selected by each individual Service and nation, usually consisting of 14 to 16 multinational, U.S. Army, and U.S. Marine Corps general officers in the ranks of brigadier through lieutenant general. The conference is targeted at corps and division commanders and deputy/assistant commanders, as well as commanders of equivalent theater-level joint or Service commands. Hence, the conference often includes U.S. Air Force and U.S. Navy flag and general officers, as well as up to eight senior coalition commanders.

Conference Description:

The conference focuses on preparing senior officers to function effectively as land component commanders in a joint/combined, interagency, intergovernmental, and multinational environment. These commanders will need to plan, prepare for, and execute land-centric operations that provide coalition commanders with capabilities to achieve policy objectives through rapid, decisive, and sustained land dominance.

Under the direction of senior mentors, retired general officers who have previously served as joint and combined force land component commanders, this seminar-based conference challenges senior officers to examine the key elements of developing and executing functional land component command operations at the theater level in support of joint force commanders and in conjunction with air, maritime, and special operations functional commands. The conference also explores the challenges of maintaining sustained land dominance in a complex operating environment. It includes a rigorous exercise which is crafted to challenge the attendees to issue guidance and devise solutions to deploying, forming, controlling, protecting, operating, and sustaining a combined and joint land command at the theater and operational level of war.

Integration with Existing General Officer Training: This conference is integrated with other, existing general officer training programs, such as CAPSTONE (JOM) and Joint Flag Officer Warfighting Course, and does not replicate their content.

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